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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yoshinobu HONKURA, et al.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

- 1) References AC-AK have been cited in the International Search Report. Copies of these references are being submitted herewith only when not automatically provided by the International Searching Authority.
- 2) References AR-AU have been cited in the corresponding International Search Report of PCT/JP02/03541. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 3) References AA-AB, AL-AQ, & AAA are discussed in the specification. A copy of these references is being submitted here with.
- 4) References AV-AZ & AAB are additional prior art known to Applicant. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.